



600.20 Inmate Communication Devices

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600.20-1 Policy

- I.** The Hendry County Jail offers a handheld computerized device with touchscreen display. This device will have limited intranet access. There will be no access to outside search engines or basic internet services. The inmate communication device has the ability to provide for communication, entertainment, and programming utilizing a secure wireless connection. The device functionality may be limited by the Jail Administrator and/or designee based on Classification Status and/or security.

600.20-2 General Information

- II.** Each housing unit will be assigned a specific number of "docking/charging" stations and communication devices.
- a.** Inmates within the Housing Unit will be able to use the tablets during open population times from the charging station. Unused devices will remain on the charging station.
 - b.** Tablets used for video visitation must remain in the charging station for the visit to occur. The video portion of the visitation will automatically be terminated if the tablet is removed from the docking station, audio will still be available.
 - c.** Communication devices are assigned to the housing unit and not to specific inmates. Devices will not be transferable from unit to unit.
 - d.** Any inmate who removes a communication device from a housing unit will face disciplinary action.
 - e.** Any inmate who is found to be "hoarding" a communication device or "renting/selling" device usage will face disciplinary action.
 - f.** Any inmate who intentionally damages or defaces either the docking/charging station or the communication will face disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.
 - g.** Removal of devices due to intentional damage or abuse may result in criminal charges, administrative charges and loss of the privilege of using a device for an indefinite length of time. Incidents regarding damage will be evaluated on a case by case basis.
 - h.** When an officer is advised that a device is not working properly, that device will be removed from the housing unit and the Classification Sergeant will be notified so that GTL may be notified of a needed replacement or repair. No staff member shall attempt to repair a communication device or docking/charging station.

REFERENCES

State/Federal Regulations:

FCAC:

N/A

PREA:

N/A

Forms:

Other Policy/ Procedure References: